RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 -**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1653**

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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1.	This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of two months to respond to the Office			
Action dated October 14, 2003.				
2.	Applicant is	a small entity; 🛛	other than a small entity.	
3.	Calculation of extension	sulation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)): Il Months Fee For Other Fee for uested Than Small Entity Small Entity		
	Total Months	Fee For Other	Fee for	
	Requested	Than Small Entity	Small Entity	
	one month	\$110.00	\$55.00	
\boxtimes	two months	\$420.00	\$210.00	
	three months	\$950.00	\$475.00	
	four months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00	
	five months*	\$2,010.00	\$1,005.00	
2. Applicant is ☐ a small entity; ☒ other than a small entity. 3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)): Total Months Fee For Other Fee for Requested Than Small Entity Small Entity one month \$110.00 \$55.00 ★ two months \$420.00 \$210.00 three months \$950.00 \$475.00 four months \$1,480.00 \$740.00				
\boxtimes	A check in the amount of \$420 is enclosed.			
	Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for the extension fee.			
\boxtimes	Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any fee deficiency.			

Respectfully submitted,

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